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COMMISSIONERS IN SESSION FIVE DAYS IN TWO WEEKS

Election to Vote on Incorporation on May Seventh

Much Time Devoted to Roads, Assessments, and Routine Matters

The county commissioners have been so busy at the last two meetings of the board that no other public officer and no private citizen has had the opportunity to be heard by the commissioners. Last week, Messrs. Sutherland and Gregg spent Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in the mill, while Mr. Sanders was at Santa Fe attending the convention of the New Mexico Good Roads Association. This week, Messrs. Sutherland and Sanders were busy all of Monday and Tuesday, while Mr. Gregg was snow bound in the Sacramento mountains and unable to return to Alamogordo.

Warrant was authorized in the sum of \$884.00 for Contractor Dodgen for March construction work on the Box canon road. Jim Martin was released from the bond of Mr. Dodgen and C. H. Haynes substituted therefor. Several bills against the county were not allowed, and a large number approved and ordered paid.

Transfers in accounts were ordered as follows: \$750.00 from the court house and jail repair fund to the general county fund; \$1,600.00 from the court fund to the general county fund.

Reports of justices of the peace of precincts 10 and 11 were approved. Luciano Davalos was appointed constable of precinct No. 5. The other routine mat-

ters were of minor importance to the general public.

The most important matter handled at the meeting this week was the calling of an election to vote on the question of incorporating the town of Alamogordo. The sheriff's report of the census showed 1538 inhabitants residents of the proposed incorporated district. An election was ordered to be held on Tuesday, May seventh. L. N. Jones, T. A. Frazier and J. J. Hill were appointed judges, Dean Sherry and G. M. Tower, clerks of the election.

J. J. Dale, T. M. Shields and Louis Vigil were appointed a board of viewers to pass on the proposed new road at Tularosa. A petition for a change in the Cloudercroft and Pecos road was carried over to the next meeting.

The annual report showing the financial condition of the county was presented by the county clerk and approved.

Reports of justices of the peace of precinct 1, 3 and 12 were approved. E. G. Seeley was appointed justice of the peace of precinct 9. Tax sale certificates and assessment matters involving small amounts were passed upon.

The board will meet again on May ninth to canvass the vote of the election on town incorporation.

"DEESTRICT SKULE AT BLUEBERRY CORNERS"

Made a Big Hit With the Large Audience

GOOD MUSIC ONE OF BEST FEATURES

Ginger in the Pranks and Local Color in the Jokes

"The Deestrick Skule at Blueberry Corners," the play presented at the Baptist church last Friday evening by the Anoma class of the Baptist Sunday School, was a good show and drew a full house, in spite of the fact that a hard rain fell Friday afternoon and left the streets muddy enough to discourage some of the faint-hearted. The auditorium was filled in spite of the muddy streets, and under more favorable weather conditions, the "S. R. O." would have been hanging out.

The fun began when the school directors entered and began to discuss the applications from the several school "marms" who wanted to teach at Blueberry Corners. The fun continued when the quizzing of the applicants was on, and in fact it continued right up to the closing exercises on the last day. Some very staid, sedate people remember well the pranks and capers which were used in their school days, to the discomfort and inconvenience of school mates, not to mention the annoyance of the teacher. In the closing exercises and other exhibition stunts, there was plenty of local color to keep the audience laughing, except the few who were the victims.

A feature which added greatly to the pleasure of the entertainment was the excellent music. Louis Hill's orchestra rendered several good numbers. "Poet and Peasant" Joe Galindo, violin, Miss Pauline Bemis, piano, was especially fine as was also "The Wedding of the Winds," Joe Galindo, violin, Louis Hill, flute and Miss Pauline Bemis, piano.

Summer Snows and Showers

Another good rain fell here Friday afternoon. The rain gauge registered twenty-six one hundredths of an inch, which was about as good an April shower as Alamogordo had any reason to expect.

Easter Sunday snow began falling about three o'clock in the afternoon. The snow melted as fast as it touched the ground and had about the same effect as a good shower of rain. The precipitation is estimated at one fifth of an inch.

There was a heavy snow here on March 8, 1909, which was counted extraordinary, but snow on April 7 is a new record which ought to remain unbroken for many years.

Retailer's Meeting

The Alamogordo Retailers and Business Men's Association held its regular meeting Tuesday night. There was not a large attendance and the discussions were confined to town incorporation and the entertainment of the party logging the transcontinental auto route. The party is expected about April nineteenth.

HOW THE MOTION PICTURE PEOPLE DO THE JOB

Travesties on the Wild West are Explained

NEW MEXICO POET TAKES A SHOT

Albuquerque Herald Scribe Says Love is Cause

Moving picture

On the screen:
First you'll note
A city scene,
Girl and sweetheart
Have a spat
Like a regular
Dog and cat;
Lover, rage
Within his breast,
Wipes his chin,
Pulls down his vest
And goes westward
On the run,
Following the
Setting sun;
Gets a job at
Herding steers,
Then the maiden,
All in tears,
Gets a letter
From her aunt
Telling her that
They all part
For a visit;
So she packs
And goes hiking
Out the tracks
To the west, and
Then, when she
Finds the ranch
Her lover he
Is already
There; and then
Injuns grab
And to their den
Bear the maid,
The lover, Wil'm,
Rides o'er half
A mile of film
At a tearing
Pace, and she
In a moment
Is set free.
He is her's from
Then, and she's
His, you bet!
A nickel, please.
—Albuquerque Herald.

Heart Helps and Beauty Hints

Girls, we know that Lillian and Laura Jean are knocking us, but we will continue to hand out advice. Sticks and stones will break our bones, but every knock is a boost.

We want to warn you against flippant young men who refer to girls as "chickens" and "dolls." Young men who accost you by saying, "Oh you kid," seldom earn more than \$7 per week.

Girls born on March 5 are fond of good clothes and real jewelry. Some of them are also fond of new hats.

Cassie—He does not love you. True love would not notice the odor of onions.

Pansy—We cannot recommend a safety razor. Better leave your mustache alone.

Maize—Massage will not reduce the size of your nose. Tell the young man that a large nose indicates strength of character, maybe he will fall for it.

Ruby—Do not lend him a nickel. He may spend your \$14 and fly to Honduras. Us working girls cannot be too careful.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

C. M. Hunter leaves tomorrow for El Paso for a short visit.

CLOUDCROFT MUCH MORE THAN MERE SUMMER RESORT

Live Business Town Hustling Twelve Months Every Year

Big Shipper of Various Kinds of Products and Supplies

Cloudercroft, N. M., April 9.—From the article published in the "Times" recently, "Cloudercroft, El Paso's Summer Resort," some have gained the impression that Cloudercroft is a summer resort only. This is entirely wrong. Although Cloudercroft has the reputation of being the best known summer resort in the Southwest and is a most delightful place to spend a summer vacation, it has during the past months gained the reputation of being one of the principal shipping points in New Mexico.

When the summer season closed in September, 1911, there were many who remarked, "Well the station agent will have a snap now." During the entire winter season his job was never a "snap" but it was snappy. By that I mean he has been continually on the move. When he wasn't weighing small shipments of apples or vegetables or attending to the many other duties of a station agent he was billing out oats, apples, cabbage and wood in carload lots. These carload shipments got to be an every day occurrence right after October 1st. During the summer months the El Paso & Southwestern system maintained a daily schedule on the A. & S. M. division but on October 1st they changed this to three trains a week. It was however, several weeks before the new schedule could really begin to work. On the days when no train was scheduled to run it was necessary to run an extra to handle the freight business out of Cloudercroft and other mountain points near by.

In October, November and December many cars of apples, oats, cabbage, turnips, wood, ties, lumber and piling were billed out of the Cloudercroft station. It was no uncommon sight to see from twelve to twenty wagons a day on the streets of the city loaded with grain, fruit and vegetables for shipment to El Paso, Dallas, Ft. Worth, Sherman, and other points. All the merchants and business men of the city took an active interest in finding a market for anything a man said he had to ship. We are especially

indebted to El Paso brokers and wholesale men for the interest they took in helping to market the mountain products.

"Mountain apples" have become better known during the past year than ever before. They have been shipped in every direction and the fruit growers have realized a good return. "Mountain apples" raised in large quantities around Cloudercroft, Mountain Park, High Rolls, Wooten, Elk and Mayhill, have a delicious flavor and are finer and sounder than those raised in other apple-growing sections of the country. Some of the largest apple orchards of Otero county are found near Elk and Mayhill.

The oat crop last year in Otero county was a surprise to the farmers themselves and dozens of car loads have been billed out of the Cloudercroft section. There are still many cars on the farms that have not been shipped.

Much barley was raised during the past year but no great amount was shipped out.

Cabbage, cauliflower and turnips were the principal vegetables shipped from this section. Many car loads of cabbage were shipped and mixed cars of cabbage and turnips. Cauliflower was shipped in smaller lots.

Cars of wood go down on practically every train run out of Cloudercroft. Scores of men have been kept busy during the winter months getting out wood and at times the contractors could not keep up with their orders on account of not being able to get men to cut.

Many cars of pilings have been shipped out of the Sacramento mountains since last September. The El Paso & Southwestern system has used most of the ties and piling, many ties being used to replace old ones on the A. & S. M. division.

All the stores in Cloudercroft and nearby towns have kept on a good working force during the winter months and there has been no time since the close of the summer season that a man who wanted work couldn't get it in Cloudercroft.—Scott B. Williams El Paso Times.

USEFUL LIFE IS ENDED

A life of usefulness, spent principally in the home and devoted to husband and children, ended late Tuesday evening, when Mrs. Christine Major died. Death was due to paralysis and ended an illness which extended over a period of nearly a year. For several days the physicians had feared there was no hope of recovery.

The Majors came to Alamogordo in the pioneer days, when the town was in the making. Through so long a residence they have made a host of friends. Until the beginning of Mrs. Major's illness, they entertained and

were entertained; but always they found their greatest pleasure in their own home. It is hard to imagine a family whose members could be more devoted to one another. It is inevitable that the removal of the wife and mother from such a circle should produce a wound that only time can heal.

Mrs. Mitchell, the mother of the deceased, has left Carbon-dale, Penna., for Alamogordo, and the funeral service will not be held until Mrs. Mitchell arrives, probably Saturday or Sunday.

J. L. Campbell, chief engineer of the El Paso and Southwestern Lines, is in Alamogordo today.

SPENCER-McDONALD

Governor's Daughter Married in Alamo Saturday

Miss Frances McDonald, daughter of Governor and Mrs. W. C. McDonald was married here Saturday afternoon to Mr. Truman A. Spencer.

The couple arrived on the limited from Carrizozo, went at once to the county clerk's office and secured a license, then to the home of Rev. Ed. Le Breton, where the marriage ceremony was performed at three o'clock.

As bride and groom, they left at three fifteen, to return to Carrizozo. Mr. Spencer is secretary to Governor McDonald, in charge of business affairs in connection with the cattle company, and makes his headquarters at Carrizozo.

Show Dates Changed

The boys of the volunteer fire department scheduled the play, "Uncle Rule" for Thursday and Friday nights, but when it was learned that one of the churches had planned to give an entertainment on Friday night, the fire boys gave way and billed the second performance for Saturday night.

Probate Judge Clovis B. Aguilar was here from Tularosa Monday attending to probate court matters.

Federal Prisoner Escapes

Henry Bell, who was arrested some months ago, charged with a violation of the white slave act, escaped from United States Deputy Marshal Chaves Tuesday night. Mr. Chaves left her Tuesday night in charge of the prisoner, enroute to Santa Fe, where the United States district court is now in session. The prisoner jumped through the car window and made his escape, while the train was at or near Tecolote.

Bad Weather in Mountains

The Cloudercroft train was badly delayed Monday on account of weather conditions in the mountains. There was a heavy snow in Cloudercroft and vicinity Sunday and Monday, and high wind blew trees down across the track between Cloudercroft and Russia. The train did not reach Alamogordo on the return trip until midnight Monday.

Ostic-Madrid

Married Saturday evening, Miss Petra Madrid to Mr. William Ostic, Rev. J. G. Sanchez officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Ostic have been residents of Alamogordo for a long while and are well known.

Brown-Watson

Married Monday morning, Miss Lilly Watson of Oscura, to Mr. Jas. E. Brown of San Marcial. Judge W. K. Stalcup performed the ceremony.